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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111		
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	First Named Inventor	Spence
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	Group Art Unit	3773
	Examiner Name	Ryckman, Melissa K.
	Title	Means and Method for Performing an Anastomosis

Sir:

This amendment is responsive to the Office Action dated March 17, 2008 for which a three-month period for response was given making this response due on or before June 17, 2008. A Petition for a One-Month Extension of Time is being filed concurrently with this amendment to extend the response date to July 17, 2008. In view of the amendments to the claims and the remarks put forth below, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

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